

Bolting A-dec Dental Chairs to the Floor (1/02)

DIS recently become aware that some chair-mounted A-dec Radius dental units (shown at right) are being shipped with a floor bolt kit that bears a warning label stating: "The chair must be bolted to the floor to meet agency stability requirements." DIS had not been aware of any requirement for previously delivered dental chairs (with or without Radius dental units) to be bolted to the floor to provide stability. DIS contacted the A-dec Corporation and was told that this warning label was a requirement of Underwriter's Laboratory (UL), which had certified the chair.



The UL standard that was used, however, was found to have been replaced with a newer version that no longer contains this specific requirement. A-dec reported that its chairs meet current UL stability requirements, and the inclusion of this warning label had been an administrative oversight. A-dec has provided documentation to DIS that clarifies this issue. If you are interested in having a copy of the one-page documentation, please click [here](#). (It should be noted that the comments above apply to dental chairs installed in typical, fixed federal dental facilities; chairs installed in special locations, such as on a ship, may require bolting to ensure stability.)

